13. MADHYA PRADESH

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Welfare Boards for Unorganised Workers for the rural and urban areas	old age, family and disability assistance and pension, loan for purchase or construction of house, interest subsidy for housing loan taken for a Housing finance institution, assistance for education like scholarship, loan, interest subsidy for education loan, cash award for meritorious students, loan for tools and small machines, interest subsidy for loans for supplementary income generating activities, marriage assistance, medical assistance, maternity assistance, group insurance, assistance for payment of insurance premium, funeral assistance and ex-gratia payment in case of death.
14. BIHAR	
State Social Security Pension	Pension.

Trained and unskilled labour force in the country

†1176. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:
SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of total labour force in the country alongwith the percentage of trained and unskilled labour force out of the same;

(b) the scheme of Government to train the unskilled labour force; and

(c) the details of the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) Reliable estimates of labour force are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation. Last such survey of which results are available pertains to the year 2004-05. As per this survey report, percentage of the labour force in the total population for the country as a whole was estimated to be 43 per cent during 2004-05. During the corresponding period, among the persons of age 15-29 years, about 2% are reported to have received formal vocational training, another 8% are reported to have received non-formal vocational training.

(b) and (c) Ministry of Labour and Employment is imparting skill training under Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) and Apprenticeship Training Scheme (ATS) in

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various vocational trades to meet skilled manpower requirement of the industry. Apart from these, skill training is also proposed to be imparted through Skill Development Initiative from the current financial year, as per budget announcement of Union Finance Minister in his budget speech 2004-05.

Grant under NCLP to Dhule district, Maharashtra

1177. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has submitted a proposal for grants under National Child Labour Project in Dhule District, Maharashtra on 17th April, 2006 to Government;

(b) if so, whether this proposal is still pending with Government; and

(c) what are the main reasons for the delay and by what time the final approval in this regard is likely to be given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR **AND** EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) and (b) The State Government of Maharashtra *vide* letter dated 17.04.06 had recommended for sanctioning of special schools to Dhule District under the National Child Labour Project Scheme (NCLP). The proposal was examined and 40 special schools were sanctioned on 3rd May, 2006 to the NCLP, Dhule, Maharashtra.

(c) Does not arise.

National Child Labour Project

1178. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether, in an effort to check child labour, Government has implemented a National Project to look after children withdrawn from work;

(b) if so, whether at least 60,442 employees have been prosecuted for employing children in violation of provisions of the Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act;

(c) whether the Ministry of Labour and Employment is implementing the National Child Labour Schemes in 250 Districts of 20 States for withdrawing and rehabilitating children working in hazardous occupations; and

(d) if so, to what extent they have been helpful and how many children have so far been provided assistance under this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir. Government is implementing the National Child Labour Project (NCLP) Scheme for the rehabilitation of children withdrawn from work.

(b) As per the information received from the State/UT Governments, 67,691 prosecutions have been launched against the offending employers during the period